

*file C045C*

## BACKGROUND

Three missions were flown during the month of February to cover COMOR targets in South China.

The missions were planned to select first and second priority targets, which had no recent coverage, and three first priority targets which had earlier coverage. Targets covered by Blue Springs very recently were not considered.

Mission C045C on 19 February 1965 departed [redacted] after covering 17 COMOR targets. The reason for the overflight of Vietnam by mission C045C was due to inclement weather conditions on the previously planned penetration point to the China mainland east of Hainan Island.

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Mission C055C on 22 February operated from [redacted] and was programmed to cover 26 remaining targets in the area. The camera malfunctioned shortly after penetration of Communist China and the pilot aborted the mission returning to [redacted] having covered only four (4) COMOR targets on the mission.

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Mission C065C on 24 February operated from [redacted] and was designed to cover the eighteen targets missed on C055C.

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Excellent weather conditions were reported and no serious incidents occurred except camera malfunction on the mission.